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## **Business Appreciation Week - 2011**

Harford County's annual Business Appreciation Week was held September 19-26, 2011. Business Development Associates joined County Executive David Craig, Economic Development Director Jim Richardson and officials from Harford's municipalities in thanking businesses throughout Aberdeen, Bel Air, Havre de Grace, Forest Hill and Jarrettsville for their continued contributions to the economy of Harford County. The annual Tourism Partnership Luncheon with guest speaker Don Fry of the Greater Baltimore Committee (GBC) was one of the highlights of the week. A roundtable discussion of defense industry representatives at the Harford Business Innovation Center (HBIC) concluded this year's Business Appreciation Week. Photos and a brief summary of the week will be available at <a href="https://www.harfordbusiness.org">www.harfordbusiness.org</a>.

#### 2011 Harford Awards

The Annual Harford Awards Program was held on September 21, 2011 at the Richlin Ballroom in Edgewood. The theme of this year's ceremony was "Right Time, Right Place...Positioned For Success." The recipients of the 2011 awards were Bowhead in the Technology category; Celebree Learning Centers, Inc. in the Service category; Johnson Family Pharmacy in the Retail category; Northeastern Supply, Inc. in the Industrial category; and the Y of Central Maryland, Walter and Betty Ward Family Center in the Nonprofit category. The Harford Awards program has honored 88 Harford County businesses since its inception and is produced by Harford County's Office of Economic Development, Harford Community College and the Harford County Chamber of Commerce.

# Jim Richardson Guest Panelist at SHRA Quarterly Meeting

The Susquehanna Human Resource Association (SHRA) hosted their quarterly meeting on Thursday, September 29 at Harford Community College. Joining guest panelist Jim Richardson in an Economic Update was Karen Holt from the Chesapeake Science and Security Corridor and Chuck Van Zee for CACI. <a href="http://www.shra-network.com">http://www.shra-network.com</a>

## **Tourism Marketing Partnership Program 2012**

The Office of Tourism is mailing the 2012 Tourism Marketing Applications this week. For a \$295 annual fee, tourism partners receive a listing in Destination Harford 2012, the official Visitor's Guide for the County, a listing on the kiosks in the Cecil, Harford and Baltimore network, plus a listing on the new and improved tourism website at <a href="www.harfordmd.com">www.harfordmd.com</a>. For more information about becoming a tourism partner, contact Wini Roche at 410-638-3059.

## Mission Accomplished!

The Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) implementation has been realized as of September 15, 2011. As the month of September winds down, we would like to thank the countless organizations and partnerships, both civilian and military, who have made this transition so successful. We welcome our new neighbors to the community and thank the citizens and businesses of Harford County for their hospitality. The Office of Economic Development and its partners will continue their work on Transportation, Higher Education and Workforce Development to ensure the county's sustained success.

## Save The Dates

October 6, 2011 Harford County Job Fair Richlin Ballroom 1700 Van Bibber Road Edgewood, MD 21040

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December 7-8, 2011

Advance Planning Briefing for Industry (APBI) 2011 Small Business Conference

Mission Training Facility, Mallette Hall located at

Army C4ISR Center of Excellence Aberdeen Proving Ground (APG)

Contact information and registration to be announced